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FM AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

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C O N F I D E N T I A L KINSHASA 5113

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MOPS, PINS, CG

SUBJECT: SHABA ATTACK: KOLWEZI EVACUATION OPERATION

1. BELGIAN EMBOFF ADVISED US THAT BELGIANS HAVE TWO
CONFLICTING FIGURES AS TO NUMBER OF CIVILIANS (ALL NATIONALITIES)
WHO HAVE BEEN EVACUATED FROM KOLWEZI TO KINSHASA. ONE
FIGURE IS 1700. OTHER IS 1920. BELGIANS ARE UNABLE TO
ACCOUNT FOR THIS DISCREPANCY. IN ADDITION, THEY EXPECT ANOTHER
100-150 TO ARRIVE KINSHASA MAY 21. EVACUATION FLIGHT FROM
KINSHASA TO BRUSSELS BEGAN 0200 HOURS 21 MAY AND WILL CONTINUE
UNTIL 1200 HOURS 22 MAY BY WHICH TIME ALL WHO CHOOSE SHOULD
HAVE BEEN EVACUATED ON TO BRUSSELS (ALL NATIONALITIES).

2. MOST WOUNDED WERE EVACUATED TO LUBUMBASHI RATHER THAN KINSHASA.
BELGIANS DO NOT KNOW NUMBER OF WOUNDED EVACUATED BUT DESCRIBED
NUMBER AS 10'S RATHER THAN 100'S. IN ADDITION TO ABOVE, SMALL
NUMBERS WERE EVACUATED FROM KOLWEZI TO BUJUMBURA AND LUSAKA
BUT EXACT NUMBER IS NOT KNOWN.

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3. EMBOFF STATED THAT LATEST BELGIAN INFORMATION OF NUMBER OF
EXPATRIATE CIVILIANS KILLED IS 125.
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